Desalination Plant for Visakhapatnam

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have set up a desalination project plant near Visakhapatnam;

(b) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government has identified 12 other places for setting up these plants to overcome drinking water problems;

(c) whether Orissa has also identified their towns for setting up such plants to address their drinking water problems;

(d) if so, the details thereof and by when these plants would be set up in these towns?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Government of Andhra Pradesh have informed that there is proposal for setting up a desalination project at Bheemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh.

(b) Government of Andhra Pradesh have identified 6 urban towns, namely, Bheemunipatnam, Kakinada, Narsapur, Machilipatnam, Bapatla and Chirala for setting up of desalination plants to overcome the drinking water problem in these towns. Technical approval for the project of Bheemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam District in Andhra Pradesh has been accorded.

(c) The Government of Orissa had identified 3 towns, namely, Puri, Konark and Gopalpur for setting up of desalination plants to tide over the water scarcity. However, in view of the fact that the present water supply in respect of Puri and Konark towns is adequate, the Government of Orissa forwarded a Detailed Project Report (DPR) only for installation of desalination plant in Gopalpur NAC in Ganjam district of Orissa State. An amount of Rs. 115.41 lakh has been released under the Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme to the Government of Orissa as Central share during the current financial year for the desalination plant at Gopalpur.

(d) The present status of the proposed desalination plants in respect of Andhra Pradesh and Orissa is given in the Statement.

Statement

Desalination based Water Supply Schemes approved by Ministry of Urban Development in Coramandel Coast

Name of State/Town	Population	Capacity in HLD	Date of Technical approval CPHEEO	Estimated Cost (Rs. lakhs) as proposed by State Government	As approved by CPHEEO	Funds Released	Period of implementation	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.ANDHRA PRADESH								
a. Bheemunipatnam	42054	2.86	15.02.2005	1155	685	Nil	2 Years	Technical approval for the project has been accorded.
b. Bapatla	68103	2.00	—	1150	—			Scheme has been returned to the State Govt since the per capita supply is more than 70 1pcd
c. Chirala	83455	2.00	—	1123	—			Scheme has been returned to the state Govt. since the per capita supply is more than 70 1pcd
d. Kakinada	289920							The State Government has not forwarded DPR as the present per capita water supply is adequate as per norms

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
e. Narasapur	58508	—						The State Government has not forwarded DPR as the present per capita water supply is adequate as per norms
f. Machilipatnam	183370	—						The State Government has not forwarded DPR as the present per capita water supply is adequate as per norms
2. ORISSA								
a. Gopalpur	6660	0.50	31.01.2005	483	461	115.41	2 years	Financial sanction issued on 23.02.2005
b. Puri	157776				•			The State Government has not forwarded DPR as the present per capita water supply is adequate as per norms
c. Konark	15015	—						The State Government has not forwarded DPR as the present per capita water supply is adequate as per norms